



Men's Club Newsletter

March 2018 Edition

Next Meeting

What: "Highlights from a pilgrimage to the Holy Land"

Who: Mike Gaffey

When: Tues, March 6, 2018

Where: Church Hall

Why: Fellowship

Pizza \$5, Beer \$2, Sodas and Bottled Water \$1

Free to Prospective Members and Guests.

If you know someone, you think may make a great member, please invite him.

President's Message:

I can't believe it is already March. We are full speed ahead booking the speakers you suggested and requested. See below for the follow-on actions we are taking as a result of Pete DeLisi's talk in February. I am looking forward to Mike Gaffey's talk on the Holy Land this month. I hope to see you there this Tuesday.

Now that we are in Lent, the Men's Club will be called on to help with some of the special Masses. Watch for an email requesting your help from Jon Dunn.

As soon as Lent is finished, we have our annual fundraiser, the Chuckwagon BBQ. See the story below and sign up now to help.

Finally, we all have an opportunity to help a Scout with his Eagle Project and save a life at the same time. Read below how you can sign up to donate blood.

Pete DeLisi forming committee looking at the future of the club:

Following our discussion at the February General Meeting, we decided to form a committee to look at the future of the club. As a starting point, we want to look at our original mission which was to: *"Serve the parish through the three-fold ministries of service, fellowship and spirituality."* It's fair to say that this mission has served us well for going on 27 years. We are still in business. The group will begin by discussing the following:

1. Is this still the right mission for our times? If so, where should the emphasis be going forward? How do we primarily want to be seen -- as a service group? A social group? A spiritual group? Other?
2. Obviously, we will continue to be a parish group, but is there room for us to serve others, as for example, as Stan has done with the homeless?
3. How do we continue to grow as a group? How do we grow the membership of the group?

Pete DeLisi has agreed to head this group. Pete is looking for a few volunteers to help shape the future of our Club. If you are interested in working with him for a few short meetings over the next 1-2 months, please contact him:

Pete DeLisi, (510) 366-0575, petedelisi@aol.com

Support for special Masses in Lent:

During the season of Lent the Club is called to serve the parish at a few of the special Masses. At a minimum, help will be needed on Palm Sunday and the Easter Vigil. Watch for an email from Jon Dunn with specific details or contact him to volunteer. Jon Dunn, (510) 648-6473, jondunn@aol.com

New 2018 Board Member: Steve Macias – Mr. Sunshine

As a parishioner of St. Joseph parish since 1992, I joined the Men's Club in 2016 to make new friends and to become more active in the church. As a new member on the board this year, I hope to learn more about the goals of the Men's Club and to identify areas in which I can help achieve mutual goals. With the idea of "strength in numbers", I hope that our membership will grow and get involved in helping us achieve goals that are pleasing to God.

Best Regards, Steve Macias

Chuckwagon BBQ

Our annual fundraiser, the Chuckwagon BBQ, is only 7 weeks away on Saturday April 21st. For the Club to continue serving the parish, we need to host a successful event. In order to have a successful event, we need **every** member to volunteer and work the event. Steve Macias is our "volunteer coordinator" this year. He has created an electronic sign up tool. Click here and sign-up for as many tasks as you can. <http://bit.ly/sjmc-chuckwagon-2018> You may also recruit your family members to help as well. Contact Steve if you have questions or difficulty using the electronic sign-up, Steve Macias, (510) 330-7007, sgmacs@aol.com

Eagle Scout Project Blood Drive

For many years the Men's Club has sponsored a Boy Scout Troop as their Charter Organization. One of their scouts, Matthew Joseph, is working on his Eagle Scout Project. As part of his Eagle Project, he has partnered with Stanford Blood Center (mobile unit) to organize Blood Drives in the area. Mathew's next Blood Drive will be on Saturday March 17th 11:00 am – 5:00 pm at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish (41933 Blacow Rd, Fremont, CA 94538). If you are interested, please read the eligibility rules and then register. A donation takes about 45 minutes and can save several lives.

- Eligibility Rules: <https://bloodcenter.stanford.edu/donate/am-i-eligible-to-donate-blood/>
- Registration: <https://www.sbcdonor.org/index.cfm?group=op&expand=19908&zc=94538>
- If you are 16-17, you also need a signed [consent form](#)

Potential Ski Trip:

Our prayers have been answered. We are getting tons of rain and snow. We will begin searching for a weekend to host a ski trip. Stay tuned for late breaking details from Chris Jeremiah & Tom Leen.

Our Agenda for March 6, 2018 meeting:

Our speaker this month is the one of our former Presidents and long-time members, Mike Gaffey. Mike was fortunate to be able to go on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land in November, 2017. He will share his experience with us including the holy sites in Mt. Carmel, Mount of Transfiguration, Sea of Galilee, Bethlehem, and Jerusalem.

2018 Calendar – rev 4

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>January</u></p> <p>2nd: Meeting, Canceled 9th: Crèche & Tree Tear-Down 16th: Board Meeting</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>February</u></p> <p>6th: Meeting, Pete DeLisi - "<i>Between Retirement and the Next Career</i>" 16th: Soup & Stations 20st: Board Meeting</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>March</u></p> <p>6th: Meeting, Mike Gaffey – Trip to Holy Land 20th: Board Meeting 25th: Help w/ Palm Sunday Celebration 31st: Help w/ Easter Vigil Reception TBD: Ski Trip (if we get enough snow)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>April</u></p> <p>3rd: Meeting, Gary Dorigi, Old Mission Talk & Tour 8th: BBQ Publicity & Ticket Sales 15th: Men’s Club 9:00am Mass & Brunch + BBQ publicity & Ticket Sales 17th: Board Meeting 21st: Chuckwagon BBQ</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>May</u></p> <p>1st: Meeting, Dr. Gari Browning, President of Ohlone, Upcoming Developments 2nd: Accelerated Reader’s Lunch 4th: Grade 4 Walk & BBQ 15th: Board Meeting TBD: Santacruzian Parade TBD: Pancake Breakfast TBD: Faith Form. Rec.(WOSJ?)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>June</u></p> <p>5th: Meeting, 19th: Board Meeting TBD: High School Joe Faria Memorial Scholarship TBD: Middle School Scholarship</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>July</u></p> <p>3rd: Meeting, (<i>Yes, the day before Independence Day</i>) 17th: Board Meeting TBD: Family Camping Trip</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>August</u></p> <p>Mon 6th: Meeting, (<i>one day early due to National Night Out on Tue 7st</i>) 21st: Board Meeting TBD: BBQ for the Homeless</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>September</u></p> <p>4th: Meeting, Spouse’s Dinner @ Dominican’s 18th: Board Meeting TBD: Niles Canyon Wine/Beer Train TBD: Joint recruiting w/ WOSJ</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>October</u></p> <p>2nd: Meeting-Retreat Prep 16th: Board Meeting TBD: Bowling with the youth</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>November</u></p> <p>3rd: BBQ Lunch for Olive Harvest 6th: Meeting, 16-18th: Men’s Weekend Retreat 20th: Board Meeting (<i>Yes, Thanksgiving week</i>) TBD: BBQ or gifts for the Homeless</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>December</u></p> <p>4th: Meeting, Election + Retreat Discussion + Feedback for 2019 18th: Board Turnover Meeting TBD: Crèche Set-up TBD: Christmas Party TBD: Christmas Tree & Nativity Set-up</p>

2018 Men's Club Board of Directors:

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Men's Club New Members:

The Men's Club of St. Joseph Catholic Church at Mission San Jose share common interests in three aspects of life within our parish community. These are Fellowship, Service, and Spirituality. Our club welcomes men of all ages, and our members range in age from the 50s to 80s. General Meetings are typically held on the 1st Tuesday of the month, starting at 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall. We begin with Pizza & Beverages, followed by a speaker, and finishing with a brief discussion of upcoming items.

To join the Men's club:

1. Send your contact information to our Membership VP (name, address, email, & phone)
2. Write a check for \$40 to St. Joseph's Men's Club (\$20 for dues, \$20 for shirt *{specify size}*)
3. Confirm the date & location of the next meeting on the Parish website: <http://bit.ly/StJosMensClub>

Please join us at our next General Meeting. We look forward to meeting you!

St. Joseph's Men's Club Membership Application

First Name	Street Address
Last Name	City
Spouse's Name	Zip Code
Email Address	Check # or Cash
Cell Phone	Shirt Size
Home Phone	Date